

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 8-9 October 59 2300Z	2. LOCATION Mobile, Alabama
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Natural Objects
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Orbit Moon in 6 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observations of object orbiting the moon at an average of every 6 minutes during October and November 59. Report submitted in 1965.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual (TX)	
7. COURSE East around Moon	COMMENTS: Moon under observation by astronomers during this period failed to substantiate appearance of an object orbiting the moon. It is believed that some other object or objects crossed the path of the telescopes view during this period such as debris in the wind, a/c, birds, leaves ect and that these were natural phenomena or objects.
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

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FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION
AIR FORCE SYSTEMS COMMAND
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO



REPLY TO
ATTN OF: TDEW

SUBJECT: Request for UFO Information, [REDACTED]

21 Apr 65


TO: Hq USAF SAFOI-CC (Mr. [REDACTED])
Wash D C 20330

1. Reference the attached letter from [REDACTED] requesting information on unidentified flying object observed by himself and a friend of his from 8 Oct - 9 Nov 59.
2. No object such as described by them has been reported in any of the scientific literature associated with studies of the moon. It is possible that the Smithsonian Institute estimated their speed as 70,000 mph, assuming a certain altitude above the moon surface, in which case, a computed speed would now be possible. Copies of your reported observation have been forwarded to Dr J Allen Hynek, Astronomical Consultant to Project Blue Book. To our knowledge no other report of this nature has been received by Project Blue Book. We are returning the cards, belonging to [REDACTED], as requested.

FOR THE COMMANDER

Eric T. de Jonckheere
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Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Technology
and Subsystems

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YOU - THE NUCLEUS OF SECURITY!

April 5, 1965

John P. Spaulding
Lt. Colonel, USAF
Chief, Civil Branch
Community Relations
Office of Information

Sir:

I wish to thank you for the copy of Blue Book Report which I requested. However, I noticed on page 5 last paragraph that all outdated reports were no longer in your possession. The purpose of my inquiry is to find out if an object which I and a close friend of mine saw from October 8, 1959 — November 9, 1959 was reported. We are both amateur astronomers and have many copies of our sightings during these 33 days. I realize that this was almost six years ago but my friend and I feel that this object should have been reported. Our reasons for not reporting it

there are numerous but this object was important.
It was circumlunar and I can elaborate a
great deal on our observations and the object. In
1959 we wrote to the Smithsonian Institute
and related to them only the time of orbit [6 min]
But they replied that for a 6 min orbit it'd
have to go 70,000 miles per hour. Evidently they
did not take us seriously for in both Paul's
school and mine we ~~so~~ have had enough math
and physics and common sense to know that
it would be impossible to obtain a speed without
knowing a distance. I have drawn up many
various types of possible ~~or~~ orbits and each
are so different that a set distance is impossible
to obtain, only a large interval. I have
enclosed one of our copies of our reports on 3x5
cards. I call your attention to how few
UFO's were reported in '59 and again to my
report in '59 on the cards. I am certain of my
findings and have many thoughts about the
subject. I would be more than happy to
write and type a detailed report of my findings
and theories on the size, speed etc of the object.
I realize that your office is quite busy and
I appreciate your interest a great deal. This
entire discovery may be of minor significance

but then— who knows? I will go on looking for
an answer and if your office no longer has the
reports of '59 I would appreciate it very much
if I could find out where I could obtain such
information. In view of our moon program at
present I feel rather obligated to report our
findings— even as fantastic as they seem, they
are true. Thank you for your time.

With sincere respect,

[Redacted signature]

University, Alabama

[Redacted signature]

University, Ala.

Lt. Colonel John P. Spaulding
Chief, Civil Branch
Community Relations Division
Department of the Air Force
Office of the Secretary
Washington, D. C.

FILE 8-9

PROPERTY OF [REDACTED]

THE OCCURENCE OF LUNAR 8

(1)

DATE: October 8 - November 9, 1959

PLACE OF OBSERVATION: Mobile, Alabama

October 8- satellite found orbiting moon by [REDACTED]

TIME: Between 6&8 P.M.

Phase of moon: First Quarter (according to world almanac of 1959) (exactly $\frac{1}{2}$ quarter)

DIRECTION: Satellite traveled West to East
(rim toward dark side)

(2)

The satellite passed over the crater Copernicus on the way around. Impossible to determine whether the object or its shadow was being observed. In either case the object appeared as large as the crater Copernicus (60 miles in diameter)

Average time of orbit was 6 minutes; time varied slightly from one orbit to the next. The object was seen every night that wea-

(3)

ther permitted for a period of 33 days

On November 9 the satellite either greatly increased its speed or was pursued by another object of similar likeness as a double image was seen. The object then disappeared and has not been seen since.

A letter of inquiry to the Smithsonian Institute revealed they had not seen the object; however they said that such an object

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would have to be traveling at 70,000 miles per hour and remote controlled. As I gave them only the time of orbit(I could compute nothing else), I am at a loss to understand their basis for this figure.

I confirmed [REDACTED] findings; the object was also seen by my parents.

I alone saw the satellite's disappearance; [REDACTED] did not see the double image of Nov. 9.

To date there is no indication of its origin

(9/4/64)